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THE Lords of His Majesty's most Honorable Privy-Council, have thought fit, for preventing false Reports, to make known, That His Majesty, upon Monday morning last, was seized with a violent Fit, that gave great cause to fear the issue of it; but after some hours, an Amendment appeared, which with the Blessing of God being improved by the application of proper and seasonable Remedies, is now so advanced, that the Physicians have this day, as well as yesterday, given this account to the Council, viz. *That they conceive His Majesty to be in a condition of Safety, and that He will in a few days be freed from His Distemper.*

JOHN NICHOLAS.

Madrid, Jan. 18. Count *Mansfeldt* the Emperor's Ambassador, has made great Instances at this Court for assistance against the Turks; the present state of the Revenue will not permit the giving his Imperial Majesty the succor he demands in Money; But we are told that it has been resolved here to enter into the League with the Emperor, the King of *Poland*, and the Republick of *Venice* against the Turks; And to joyn a Squadron of Ships and Gallies of this Crown with the Venetian Fleet; And the 13th Instant Count *Mansfeldt* sent an Express to give, it's said, the Emperor an account thereof. It has been, as we are informed, likewise resolved very earnestly to press the Pope to grant his Catholick Majesty the Tenths of the Ecclesiastical Revenues within this Kingdom, in order to establish a Fond for the assisting the Emperor and the supporting the Expences which this Crown will engage into by entring into the said League. We have an account from *Cadiz* that they had received advice by a Vessel arrived there from the *West-Indies*, that the Galeons arrived at the *Havana* the 28th of *October* last. Commissions have been given out for the raising 2000 men in *Andaluzia* to recruit the Spanish Regiments in the *Milaneze*; And orders have been sent to the Viceroy of *Naples* to make a Levy in that Kingdom likewise for the Service of *Milan*. The Duke of *Bournonville* hath taken his Place in the Council of *Flanders*, before all the other Councellors, for that he is a Knight of the Golden Fleece. We expect every day to hear of the arrival of the *New Spain* Fleet.

Vienna, January 24. Count *Palfi* parted from hence on Monday last to command the Troops appointed to block up *Newheusel*, carrying with him some Money to be distributed among the Soldiers. An Officer has been sent from hence for *Hungary* to take an exact account of the Estate of the late Arch-Bishop of *Gran*; It is said for certain that he has left a great deal of ready Money, which the Emperor pretends to; In the mean time we are told that that Arch-Bishoprick will be disposed of to the Arch-Bishop of *Raab*; And that he will be succeeded by the Bishop of *Neustadt*. The Imperial Ministers have, it's said, made an agreement with the Envoy from the Landgrave of *Hesse Cassel* concerning the Troops that Prince offers to assist the Emperor with; They are to be 3000 Foot and 1500 Horse. All things it's said are likewise agreed with the Princes of *Lunenburg* about the assistance they are to give his Imperial Majesty; and their Troops will begin their march so soon as the Emperor shall desire it; Those Princes have also made a Treaty with the Republick of *Venice* for 5 or 6000 men; And the Venetian Ambassador has desired and obtained leave for them to pass through the Emperor's Territories. The Armenian lately arrived here hath, as far as can yet be discovered, brought nothing but a List of, and Letters from, the Christian Prisoners, who were taken in the last Campagne, and have hopes to be Ransomed. The Letters from *Hungary* do confirm that the Turks have brought another supply of Provisions into *Newheusel*, so that the only want they have now in the Town is of Fuel, which the Imperialists do all they can to hinder the Country People from carrying in. They write from *Cracow* that an Envoy was arrived at the Polish Court from the Czars of *Moscovy*; and that it was said his chief Errand was to excuse the Hostilities lately committed by some Troops of the Garisons of *Smolensko* and *Kiovia* upon the Subjects of that Crown. The last week arrived here an Express from *Ratisbonne* with the news of the death of the Bishop of *Aichstadt*, the Emperor's Principal Commissioner at the Dyet.

Ratisbonne, February 1. The death of the Bishop of *Aichstadt* hath put a stop to all publick business here. It's believed that the Prince of *Neuburg*, Great Master of the Teutonique Order, will be named by the Emperor to succeed him in the Quality of his Imperial Majesty's Principal Commissioner at this Dyet. We are told from *Vienna* that